

**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION OF  
PRODUCT REDEMPTION COUPONS

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Prior Art Unit: 2307  
Prior Examiner:

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior U.S. Patent Application No. 08/425,185, filed on April 19, 1995, entitled METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION OF PRODUCT REDEMPTION COUPONS, the entire disclosure of which is considered as being part of the disclosure of the present continuation patent application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

1. [X] 47 pages of specification, claims, and abstract are attached.
2. [X] 8 sheets of informal drawings are attached.
3. [X] A Declaration is attached.
4. [X] A Power of Attorney is attached.
5. [X] Copies of the Assignment Documents along with their Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet is attached.
6. [X] A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

7. [X] This continuation patent application is entitled to small entity status.
8. [ ] A Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2) is attached.
9. [X] The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the present continuation patent application, as amended at 6 above (if applicable).

	# of Claims		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	29	Minus 20	9	x \$18.00	\$ 81.00
Independent Claims	9	Minus 3	6	x \$80.00	\$ 240.00
Basic Application Fee					\$ 355.00
If multiple dependent claims are present, add \$260.00					\$ 0.00
Subtotal					\$ 0.00
Total Application Fee					\$ 676.00
Assignment Recordation Fee					\$ 00.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$ 676.00
AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 50-0206					\$ 321.00

- 10.[X] Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 in the amount of \$321.00 for the above-indicated fees. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is submitted herewith.
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15.[ ] Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form-1449, and cited References.

16.[ ] A return receipt postcard is submitted herewith.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 USC 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available under 37 CFR 1.14 to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.53(b) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

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